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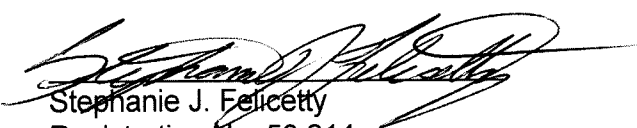
Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicants hereby petition for the withdrawal from issue of U.S. patent application Serial No. 10/693,425 under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) in order to permit the consideration of a Request for Continued Examination in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, an Information Disclosure Statement, and an Amendment with corresponding Remarks.

The issue fee for the above-identified application was paid by electronic filing on October 9, 2007. It has recently come to Applicants' attention that references cited in a corresponding foreign application were not specifically cited in an Information Disclosure Statement in the instant application. Applicants desire to have these references considered by the Patent Office and hereby petitions for the withdrawal from issuance of the patent application 10/693,425 in order for Applicants to file a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$130 for the filing fee for this paper under 37 CFR § 1.17(h).

Respectfully submitted,


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